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Zafar Imran is a fourth-year doctoral student at the University of Maryland's School of Public Policy, specializing in International Security and Economic Policy whose dissertation research focuses on the social and political effects of climate change in Pakistan. He is on track to finish his dissertation during the 2015-2016 academic year.

During Zafar's first two years at MSPP, he had a half-time GAship at the Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland (CISSM). During his third, fourth, and fifth years, he has had or will have a full-time GA position at CISSM.

Zafar has been involved in two major research projects at CISSM, a Minerva funded endeavor to forecast civil conflict under different climate change scenarios and a MacArthur-funded project to explore whether global nuclear energy use can be expanded enough to help mitigate climate change without increasing risks from proliferation, accidents, and terrorist access to nuclear weapons.

Prior to coming to Maryland, Imran worked as a Research Fellow at the Middle East Institute's Center for Pakistan Studies, Washington DC. Zafar holds a Masters Degree in Public Policy from Carnegie Mellon University.